10. Suresh Kumar s/o Bansi Ram r/o Mukhimpuri

11. Unknown

Police post located in the Hospital causality to deal with Medico-legal cases, was promptly informed about these patients for further necessary action.

Setting up of Gram Vidyapeeths

3083. SHRI HARISINH CHAVDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to launch a scheme for setting up of Gram Vidyapeeths in rural areas for the development of heighr education;

(b) the number of Gram Vidyapeeths functioning at present in the country;and

(c) the extent grants the Union Government propose to provide to new Gram Vidyapeeths during this year and next year?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) The National Policy on Education, 1986 envisages establishment of Rural Institutes/Universities on the lines of Mahatma Gandhi's ideas of education. In pursuance of this, a Central Council of Rural Institutes is proposed to be set up for implementation of well co-ordinate programme of development of Rural Institutes. The proposed Council would identify rural institutes and other agencies engaged in Gandhian Basic Education and help them in their development and would also encourage development of new institutions through financial and other assistance.

According to information available in the Department, there are 55 Institutions in rural higher education. These include Deemed to be Universities also.

[*English*]

Foot Overbidge at Chalakudy

3084. PROF. (SMT.) SAVITHRI LAKSHMAHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an proposal to constrict foot overbridge in place of the level crossing gate (closed) at Chalakudy, Trichur district; and

(b) if so, the facts in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

The UN Decade for Cultural Development Programme

3085. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether "The UN Decade for Cultural Development" programme of UNESCO (United Nation Educational, Scientific and Cultural organisation) is being observed in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any specific body/commission has been set up to organise the programme;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the non-governmental organisation have been requested to co-operate in this regard;